REVIEW OF PLANNING GUIDANCE

Introduction

The Government's objectives for the planning system were set out in the White Paper on the Environment "This Common Inheritance" in the following terms:

> 'Land ... is a finite resource, and we have to find enough for all our needs - homes, jobs, shops, food, transport, fuel, building materials and recreation - while protecting what we value most in our surroundings. The task of Government is to set a framework of rules and incentives, so that patterns of land use reflect the interests of the community as a whole. That framework must encourage development in some places, through the designation of special areas such as enterprise zones; and it must also protect the most sensitive environments through areas designated as Green Belts, National Scenic Areas and Sites of Special Scientific Interest, where tight controls apply, as they also do in designated Conservation Areas".
>
> "The physical planning system is the centre-piece of policy to ensure that development and land use are compatible with proper care for the environment. The system in Scotland is very similar to that in the rest of Britain; but the high quality of so much of the natural environment, the densely populated Central Lowlands with its need for economic restructuring, especially in areas on unemployment, and the fragile economic base of sparsely populated rural areas all offer special challenges.
>
> In the past decade the most important of these challenges were: the growth of oil activities in the North Sea and on oil, the provision of new infrastructure, especially roads, airports, pipelines and housing and the task of regenerating the older conurbations and industrial areas. Local authority Structure Plans and policies played a major part in meeting these challenges with an outstanding degree of success which is not always publicly recognised.'

The White Paper described the function of planning guidance as follows:

> 'To help people plan the use of their land confidently and sensibly, and to help planning authorities to interpret the public interest wisely and consistently.'

If Government is to meet these 2 objectives effectively, then planning guidance must be clear, relevant and up-to-date. Clarity will best be served by improving the format and style of existing guidance. In reviewing these issues the Scottish Office Environment Department has been greatly assisted by an unpublished research report, commissioned by the Department and carried out by the Planning Exchange, entitled "An Evaluation of the Use and Effectiveness of SDD Planning Publications". Conclusions on measures to improve format and style are set out below.

Relevance will be achieved by reviewing the content and coverage of all existing guidance, which will be done over the next 3-4 years. Regular review will ensure that guidance is kept up-to-date. Work has already

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

been undertaken on the review of the coverage of guidance and a suggested list of subjects to be included in the new planning series is set out below. The aim is to provide a strategic framework for planning guidance in the 1990s while allowing flexibility to add new titles and revise guidance in the light of changing circumstances.

Before outlining the proposals for change, it is worth recording that action has already been taken to improve the clarity and relevance of the legislative framework. The wide ranging review of the GDO is nearing completion and the consolidated Orders will be laid as soon as possible. Responses to the consultative drafts welcomed the clearer drafting and more logical format of the provisions. Full guidance on the new provisions will be issued before the provisions come into force. It is also the Government's intention to introduce a consolidated Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act when Parliamentary time is available.

Communication of existing guidance has also improved with the preparation of an index of extant Circulars last year which has been available on request. This consultation paper proposes an index to all planning publications. In March 1990 the first revised SDD Planning Bulletin was issued and has been a welcome addition to the information available to planning authorities.

Coverage

Annex A.1 provides a list of extant National Planning Guidelines, Circulars and Planning Advice Notes and illustrates the breadth of existing coverage. However, in reviewing the issues covered, a number of gaps and items ready for revision have been identified. Whatever style and format is adopted, subject areas which should be addressed in any new series would be:

- Agricultural and Forestry Buildings
- Advertisement Control
- Archaeology and Planning
- Business and industrial development
- Coastal Planning
- Conservation areas and Article 4 Directions
- Contaminated Land and Waste Disposal Sites
- Crown Land and Crown Development

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

- Demolition
- Derelict and Vacant Land
- Development in the countryside
- Enforcement
- Freshwater Fish Farming
- Green Belts
- Hazardous Substances
- Land for housing
- Landscape conservation
- Major Retail Development
- Mineral Development
- Renewable Energy Development
- Skiing
- Simplified Planning Zones
- Sport and Recreation
- Structure and Local Plan preparation
- Telecommunication Development
- The Use of Planning Agreements
- Vehicle Tracks in Rural Areas

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Further guidance will be necessary as changes to primary and secondary legislation are implemented. The Planning and Compensation Bill which is now before Parliament would require significant changes to existing secondary legislation eg the GDO, the EA Regulations, the Simplified Planning Zones Regulations and the Advert Regulations. New guidance will therefore be needed on those changes.

Views are sought on the priority to be attached to the particular subject areas mentioned above. New and revised guidance on all subjects would take around 3-4 years to complete. It is therefore important that guidance is produced on the most pressing environmental problems as soon as posible, while in other areas existing guidance may be sufficient in the short term. Work is already well advanced on draft guidance on land for business and industry, skiing, minerals development, and the preparation of structure plans. These will be the subject of consultation over the next 6 months. Consultees are invited to suggest other guidance which would benefit from revision and new areas which ought to be addressed. The proposed coverage of guidance would not be set in stone, unchangeable for 4 years. Flexibility will be maintained so that new guidance can be issued in response to new problems, while amended guidance may be issued in the light of changing circumstances or policy priorities.

Format

At present guidance is issued to local authorities in a number of forms:

- National Planning Guidelines provide locational guidance for development requiring specialised site conditions in short supply, eg petrochemicals and skiing.

- Departmental Circulars provide statements of ministerial policy on the spectrum of planning issues eg development involving agricultural land or Green Belts. Circulars also provide advice on legislative changes following a development in Government policy eg Circular 4/89 on the changes to the Use Classes Order. Additionally, Circulars advise on purely procedural matters eg Circular 7/90 on changes to the Written Submission Appeals Procedure.

- Planning Advice Notes set out advice on good practice on specific issues eg the recently revised PAN36 'Siting and Design of New Housing in the Countryside'.

Annex A.1 provides a list of extant National Planning Guidelines, Circulars and Planning Advice Notes.

Other publications issued by the Scottish Office Environment Department include Land Use Summary Sheets and Planning Information Notes. These are simply for information and contain no guidance or advice. It is proposed to discontinue these series. Whilst they may have proved useful in the past, there is now a wide range of technical information of this kind already available to planning authorities from other sources.

The Report by the Planning Exchange considered that the purpose of NPGs and their relationship to other guidance was unclear. The purpose of NPGs has been to provide locational guidance as explained above. Their status in planning law is similar to the status of circulars.

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

However, the distinction between locational and policy guidance has been blurred on occasion. It is proposed that a new series be introduced which would combine both policy and locational guidance to be called National Planning Policy Guidelines. An example of the first in the series "Land for Housing" is attached at Annex B. Comments on its form and content are invited.

It is envisaged that some NPPGs will contain a strong locational input while for others, eg Green Belts, locational guidance would not be appropriate. NPPGs would have significant weight in planning law and should be regarded as statements of Ministerial policy and therefore material considerations to be taken into account in plan preparation and development control. The intention is that in all cases the policy background would be clearly explained. This would equally be the case for circulars, which would continue to be issued to cover changes in primary and secondary legislation and procedural matters. It is important in these cases to explain the development of policy which is to be implemented by the legislative or procedural change, eg the Planning and Compensation Act 1991 has recently introduced significant changes to the law governing enforcement action. The changes will be implemented by secondary legislation. Advice to be issued will not simply explain the procedures but will explain why the Government has chosen to take action.

Finally, Planning Advice Notes would continue to be issued to advise authorities on best practice.

There would therefore be 3 publications providing advice to local authorities:

- National Planning Policy Guidelines providing a policy and, where necessary, a locational framework

- Circulars advising on the implementation of Government policy either through legislative or procedural change; and

- Planning Advice Notes on best practice.

Index

To provide full advice in some areas, different types of advice may be necessary eg the draft NPPG on 'Land for Housing' does not supersede the recently issued PAN36 on siting and design of housing in the countryside. Equally, in some cases there may be some overlap. The lists of extant guidance at Annex A.1 show how complex the situation can become. With the introduction of the new series, it is proposed to provide a simple index to all planning publications which would be regularly updated. The index would identify related guidance in the series. Themes would be identified to assist practitioners to decide which guidance might be relevant to their particular interests.

Presentation

The Planning Exchange Report also found that the presentation of existing circulars could be improved. DOE's Planning Policy Guidance Notes were held to be superior in their presentation and layout to SDD publications. The "Land for Housing" example illustrates the layout and presentation envisaged for NPPGs. It should be stressed that a fee is

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

charged for DOE's Planning Policy Guidance Notes which covers the cost of the quality of the paper and printing. DOE's recent PPG on archaeology and planning cost £3.75. With a shorter print run to meet Scottish demand prices would be higher. We invite views on the appropriateness of charging for these publications and on the trade-off between cost and quality of presentation.

Distribution

In response to a recommendation by the Planning Exchange Report, copies of SOEnD planning publications will be sent direct to Directors of Planning. Consultation exercises will continue to be conducted through COSLA.

Conclusion

Views are sought on the issues raised in this consultation paper, in particular:

- the draft Land for Housing NPPG attached;
- the list of topics to be covered by the new planning guidance series; and
- the format of the new series.

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

ANNEX A.1

JULY 1991

SCOTTISH OFFICE ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

PLANNING CIRCULARS AND MEMORANDA

Circular No	Date of Issue	Title
135/48	10.11.48	Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Associations Accommodation Requirements
4/49	11.1.49	Royal Auxiliary Air Forces and RAF Volunteer Reserve: Accommodation Requirements
75/51	13.7.51	Town and Country Planning (Technical Sites) (Scotland) Direction 1951
41/58 (DHS)	17.4.58	Overspill and Town Development (Part II of the Housing and Town Development) (Scotland) Act 1957
66/59 (DHS) and Memorandum	1.8.59	Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1959 - Memorandum attached: Paragraphs 1 to 17 are no longer relevant (replaced by Land Compensation (Scotland) Acts 1963 and 1973). Paragraphs 18 to 21 - still valid. Paragraphs 22 to 30 - no longer relevant (replaced by Land Compensation (Scotland) Act 1963). Paragraphs 31 to 46 - still valid. Paragraphs 47 to end - still valid although incorporated into the 1972 Planning Act (S,231, 233, 235 and 236)
74/59	10.9.59	Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Acts 1974-1959: Purchase Notices - (Advice still valid although provisions in the 1947 and 1959 Acts have been incorporated into the 1972 Planning Act)
50/60	14.7.60	Royal Observer Corps: Accommodation Requirements
2/62	1.6.62	Development Plans: Areas of Great Landscape Value and Tourist Development Proposals
27/65	7.5.65	Petrol Filling Stations - Siting
75/67 and Memorandum	2.11.67	Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Circular No	Date of Issue	Title
61/74	4.9.74	North Sea Oil and Gas Coastal Planning Guidelines
71/74 and Memorandum	25.9.74	Forest Policy: Consultation with Planning Authorities (Basis III Forestry Dedication Scheme)
74/74	17.10.74	Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Act 1974: Redemption of Feu Duties etc; Compulsory Purchase Orders
14/75 and Memorandum	20.2.75	Public Inquiry Procedures
79/75	18.7.75	Offshore Petroleum Development (Scotland) Act 1975 - Reinstatement of Land - Sections 8 and 9
82/75 and Memorandum	6.8.75	Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967: Public Paths and Access to Open Country - (Introduces the Countryside (Scotland) Regulations 1975
		Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order and Trees in Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Regulations 1975
89/75	15.8.75	Special Financial Assistance for Oil-Related Infrastructure provided by Local Authorities
93/75	3.9.75	Land Compensation (Scotland) Development Order 1975 (Certificates of Appropriate Alternative Development)
103/75	31.10.75	Town and Country Planning (National Coal Board) (Scotland) Regulations 1975
8/76	13.2.76	National Land Use Classification
13/76	16.3.76	Petroleum and Submarine Pipelines Act 1975 - Refinery Controls
42/76	18.6.76	Compulsory Purchase Procedures - Compulsory Purchase of Land (Scotland) Regulations 1976 (see also Circular letter of 30.12.77)
61/76	30.9.76	Land Compensation (Scotland) Act 1973: Acquisition of Land Under Sections 20(2) or 24(2): Basis of assessment of Purchase Price

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Circular No	Date of Issue	Title
63/76	6.10.76	The Compulsory Purchase by Public Authorities (Inquiries Procedure) (Scotland) Rules 1976
74/76	13.12.76	Town and Country Planning (General) (Scotland) Regulations 1976
16/77	7.4.77	Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1977 (Paragraphs 1.1-1.5 cancelled by Circular 32/1983)
19/77 (amended by 20/80)	16.5.77	National Planning Guidelines
26/77	17.6.77	Town Development Grants towards cost of Amenity Buildings and Works
43/77	17.10.77	Code of Practice for Examination in Public of Structure Plans
51/77	19.12.77	National Planning Guidelines: Aggregates
46/78	4.8.78	Report of the Advisory Committee on Aggregates: Government Response
49/78	9.8.78	Report of the Committee on Planning Control over Mineral Working: Government Response
53/78	5.9.78	The Theatres Trust (Scotland) Act 1978
78/78	22.12.78	Interpretation Act 1978
38/79	25.7.79	Disposal of Surplus Land
20/80 (amended by 9/87)	19.8.80	Development Control in National Scenic Areas
39/80	12.11.80	Development in the vicinity of British Gas Installations - Notification Procedures Commercial Pipelines, Planning Advice and Notification Procedures

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Circular No	Date of Issue	Title
46/80	18.12.80	Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980
47/80 (amended by 17/1987)	22.12.80	The Town and Country Planning (Determination of Appeals by Appointed Persons) (Prescribed Classes) (Scotland) Regulations 1980 (SI 1980 No 1675) The Town and Country Planning (Inquiries Procedure) (Scotland) Rules 1980 (SI No 1676) The Town and Country Planning Appeals (Determination by Appointed Persons) Inquiries Procedure) (Scotland) Rules 1980 (SI 1980 No 1677)
29/81	7.10.81	Provision of Public Buildings: Consideration of the Needs of the Disabled
31/81	20.10.81	Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order and Trees in Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981
38/81	15.12.81	Countryside (Scotland) Act 1981
3/82	8.1.82	Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
5/82	8.2.82	Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Act 1981
16/82	14.7.82	Safeguarding of Aerodromes, Technical Sites and Explosive Storage Areas: Town and Country Planning (Aerodromes) (Scotland) Direction 1982
29/82	15.10.82	Local Government and Planning (Scotland) Act 1982: Planning Provisions
33/82	16.11.82	Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967: The Countryside (Scotland) Regulations 1982
1/83	7.1.83	Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981: Code of Guidance on Sites of Special Scientific Interest
7/83	11.3.83	Town and Country Planning (Grants) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1983
21/83	20.7.83	Private House Building Land Supply: Joint Venture Schemes

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Circular No	Date of Issue	Title
32/83 (amended by 7/1985)	25.11.83	Structure and Local Plans
33/83	29.11.83	Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications) (Scotland) Regulations 1983
4/84 (amended by 23/87)	27.2.84	Opencast Coal Mining
6/84 (amended by 29/1988)	16.3.84	Local Government and Planning (Scotland) Act 1982 (includes Town and Country planning (Planning Applications - Weekly Lists) (Scotland) Direction 1984
7/84	9.5.84	Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order and Trees in Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1984
9/84 (amended by 29/1988)	30.3.84	Planning Controls over Hazardous Development
10/84	9.4.84	Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (Scotland) Regulations 1984
21/84 (amended by 17/1987)	3.3.84	Crown Land and Crown Development
22/84	3.8.84	Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 Section 50: Agreements
26/84	20.8.84	Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972: Planning Appeals
6/85	20.12.85	Code of Practice for the Examination in Public of Structure Plans
7/85	20.12.85	Code of Practice for Local Plan Inquiries and Hearings.
9/85 (amended by 29/1988)	25.5.85	Single User Sites for High Technology Activities
17/85	16.7.85	Development Control Priorities and Procedures

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Circular No	Date of Issue	Title
18/85	16.7.85	Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 Developments by Statutory Undertakers - Consultation with Planning Authorities
19/85	16.7.85	Town and Country Planning (Compensation) Act 1985
24/85	2.9.85	Development in the Countryside and Green belts
25/85 (amended by 9/86)	15.8.85	Telecommunications Development
31/85	3.12.85	Wildlife and Countryside (Amendment) Act 1985
9/86 (amended by 8/1990	26.2.86	Changes to the General Development Order
12/86	11.4.86	Planning Control Over Onshore Oil and Gas Operations
18/86	4.7.86	The Use of Conditions in Planning Permissions
22/86	17.7.86	Directional Advertising Signs for Tourist Attractions and Facilities
24/86	6.8.86	Consultation with the Royal Fine Art Commission for Scotland
37/86	22.12.86	Housing and Planning Act 1986
38/86 (amended by 29/1988)	22.12.86	The Location of Major Retail Developments
16/87	17.8.87	The Housing and Planning Act 1986: Simplified Planning Zones
17/87	25.9.87	New Provisions and Revised Guidance Relating to Listed Buildings of Conservation Areas
18/87 (amended by 29/88)	30.10.87	Development Involving Agricultural Land
22/87	2.12.87	Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Act 1981
23/87	16.12.87	Opencast Coal Mining

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Circular No	Date of Issue	Title
1/88	11.1.88	EC Directive on the Conservation of Wild Birds (Directive 79/409/EEC)
13/88	12.7.88	Environmental Assessment Implementation of EC Directive
26/88	25.11.88	EA of Projects in SPZ and EZs
29/88	23.12.88	Notification of Applications
4/89	31.1.89	Home Loss Payment (Specific Amount) (Scotland) Regulations 1989
6/89	17.2.89	The Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Scotland) Order 1989
14/89	10.4.89	Advertisements: Delegation of Appeals
24/1989	26.10.89	Acquisition of Land Compensation Rate of Interest after entry
6/1990	22.3.90	Awards of Expenses in Appeals and other Planning Proceedings and in Compulsory Purchase Order Inquiries
7/1990	22.3.90	The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Submissions Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1990. The Town and Country Planning (General Development) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1990
8/1990	22.3.90	Changes to the General Development Order
10/1990	27.3.90	Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Regulations 1990 (SI 1990/563)
13/1990	4.5.90	Indicative Forestry Strategies
27/1990	24.12.90	Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1990 (SI 1990/2474)
3/1991	15.2.91	Electricity Generating Stations and Overhead Lines-Permitted Development for Electricity Unertakings
13/1991	27.6.91	Nature Conservation and Part VIII of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

SCOTTISH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Land Use Planning Publications issued by SDD for the information and guidance of planning authorities in Scotland.

The primary responsibility for land use planning in Scotland rests with regional and islands authorities and with most district councils.

The Scottish Development Department, as part of the Scottish Office and one of the departments of the Secretary of State for Scotland, is responsible for promoting the proper operation of the land use planning system in Scotland; for assisting planning authorities by contact and by the issue of guidance; and for safeguarding those issues which the Secretary of State has identified as being of national importance (eg loss of prime agricultural land, location of major industry).

The publications listed in this statement are the means of conveying information and guidance to the planning authorities and to other bodies. Much of the material will be of limited value to the general enquirer but copies can be provided to meet genuine needs, the point of issue being given in the list. In some cases a charge is made; details will be given at time of ordering if applicable.

Inevitably the contents of some of the older publications listed will be due for revision; advice on the current applicability of any publication can be obtained from the point of issue. When a publication is marked "out of print", it may be possible for a photocopy to be supplied at cost - advice on this can also be obtained from the point of issue.

The statement does not include items issued through Her Majesty's Stationery Office, which are listed by HMSO; nor does it cover formal SDD Circulars to local authorities on planning matters, details of which can be obtained from SDD Planning Division, Room 6/77, New St Andrew's House, Edinburgh EH1 3SZ, telephone 031-556-8400 Ext 4086.

General enquiries regarding publications should be addressed to the Scottish Office Library, Room 1/44 New St Andrew's House, Edinburgh EH1 3SZ, telephone 031-244-4806.

Planning Services Division
Scottish Development Department
New St Andrew's House
EDINBURGH
EH1 3SZ
April 1990

F0300427.040

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

PLANNING ADVICE NOTES (PAN Series)

These documents give advice to the professional planning staff of local authorities on the preparation of the plans required by statute (Regional Reports, Structure Plans and Local Plans) and on subjects and procedures which relate closely to that work.

Point of issue: SDD, Room 5/95 New St Andrew's House (Tel: 031-244-4219).

PAN	1.	Agriculture in Scotland	1975
	2.	Forestry	1975 (out of print)
	3.	The Countryside	1975 (out of print)
	4.	Forecasting Employment	1975
	5.	Sport, Outdoor Recreation and Tourism	1975 (out of print)
	6.	National Coal Board Scottish Area	1975 (out of print)
	7.	Planning and Electricity	1975
	8.	Demographic Analysis	1975 (out of print)
	9.	Nature Conservation	1975 (out of print)
	10.	British Rail	1975
	12.	Scottish Fishing Industry	1975
	13.	Planning and Geology	1975
	17.	High Pressure Methane Gas Pipelines	1977 (out of print)
	22.	Social Surveys	1978
	23.	Scottish Economic Monograph	1978
	24.	Design Guidance	1980
	25.	Commercial Pipelines	1980
	26.	Disposal of Land	1981
	27.	Structure Planning	
	29.	Planning and Small Businesses - Appendum	1985
	30.	Local Planning	1984
	31.	Simplified Planning Zones	1987
	32.	Development Opportunities Local Plans	1988
	33.	Contaminated Land	1988
	34.	Local Plan Presentation	1989
	35.	Town Centre Improvement	1989
	36.	SITING AND DESIGN OF NEW HOUSING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE	1991

NATIONAL PLANNING SERIES

Land Use Summary Sheets (LUSS) are prepared from those characteristics of the land or the patterns of activity which may be considered as nationally significant. For each one the past changes, the present situation and, where appropriate, the indications for the future are summarised. Additional topics will be covered as required.

Point of issue: SDD, Room 5/95, New St Andrew's House (Tel 031-244-4219)

F0300427.040

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

LIST No	1.	Agriculture	(Revised 1987)
	2.	Forestry	(Revised 1981)
	3.	Nature Conservation	(Revised 1981)
	4.	Landscape Resources	(Revised 1981)
	5.	Land for Industry	1976
	6.	Oil, Gas and Petrochemicals	1977 (out of print)
	7.	Electricity	1976
	8.	Aggregate Working	1977 (out of print)
	9.	Water Supply	1978
	10.	River Condition	1978
	11.	Population	(Revised 1981)
	12.	Housing	1981
	13.	Recreation and Tourism	Revised 1981
	14.	Characteristics of Rural Communities	1981
	15.	Groundwater	1981
	16.	High Technology Industry	1985
	17.	Retailing	1986

National Planning Guidelines (NPG Series) are prepared from time to time when the work on land use summaries or major changes in the way land is being used suggests a need for specific guidance. The Guidelines draw attention to types of development and uses of land likely to raise national issues; they suggest where there may be a need for interim development control policies in relation to national issues and explain the criteria against which certain planning applications may need to be notified to the Secretary of State.

Guidelines were first published in 1974 dealing with North Sea Oil and Gas development as it affected the coast. Since then guidelines have been added to and revised, with a main revision taking place in 1981.

Guidelines at present extant are listed below.

Point of Issue: SDD, Room 5/95, New St Andrew's House, Tel: 031-244-4219

North Sea Oil and Gas: Coastal Planning Guidelines	1974
Aggregate working	1977
Location of major shopping developments	1978
Priorities for development planning	1981

(covering agricultural land; land for housing; land for large industry and petrochemical developments; rural planning priorities; National Scenic Areas; Nature Conservation; the Coast, aggregate working and forestry).

Skiing developments	1984
High technology: individual high amenity sites	1985
Location of Major Retail Developments	1986
Agricultural Land	1987

PLANNING INFORMATION NOTES SERIES: OIL, GAS AND PETROCHEMICALS (PIN Series)

These notes are intended to supplement the National Planning Guidelines on Petrochemical Development and Land Use Summary Sheet No 6 and to assist planning authorities in their forward planning for petrochemical development.

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Point of issue: SDD, Room 5/95, New St Andrew's House (Tel: 031-244-4219)

'A' Series (Administrative Interests) (Out of Print) (1977)

A1 Agriculture
A2 Fisheries
A3 Pollution (General)
  a. Freshwater Pollution
  b. Marine Pollution
  c. Air Pollution
A4 Pollution Inspectorate
A5 Water, Sewerage and Solid Waste Disposal
A6 Health and Safety
A7 Industrial Development Aspects
A8 Land Use Planning
A9 Pipelines
A10 Ports
A11 Forum on the Environment (Including member/interested bodies and agencies)

'B' Series (Petrochemical Plants and Processes) - 1978

B1 General
  a. Characteristics of Basic Hydrocarbon, Primary and Downstream Petrochemical Plants
  b. Glossary of Terms and Conventional Symbols

B2 Basic Hydrocarbon Plants
  a. Oil Terminals
  b. Oil/Gas Separation Plants
  c. Oil Refineries
  d. Gas Terminals
  e. Natural Gas Liquids (NGL) Plants

B3 Primary Petrochemical Plants
  a. Light Olefins
  b. Aromatics
  c. Ammonia/Methanol

B4 Downstream Petrochemical Plants
  a. Low Density Polyethylene
  b. High Density Polyethylene and Polypropylene
  c. Vinyl Chloride and Polyvinyl Chloride
  d. Styrene and Polystyrene
  e. Ethylene Oxide and Ethylene Glycol

'C' Series (Miscellaneous)

C1 Landscape Aspects of Petrochemical Developments - 1979 - Out of Print
C2 Construction Camps in Scotland - 1980 - Out of Print
C3 Landward Oil and Gas Exploration and Extraction - Revised 1986

'D' Series (Gas and Coal Processing) - 1981

D1 General Introduction to 'D' Series

  a. General Characteristics of Liquefied Gas (LNG) Substitute Natural Gas (SNG) and Coal Processing Plants

  b. Glossary of Terms and Conventional Symbols

D2 Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG): Introduction

  a. Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG): Base Load Plant

  b. Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG): Terminal and Shipping Facilities

  c. Liquefied Natural Has (LNG): Peak Shaving Plant

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

d. Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG): Independent Gas Supply Undertakings

D3 Substitute Natural Gas (SNG): Introduction

a. Substitute Natural Gas (SNG): From Liquid Hydrocarbon Feed Stocks

D4 Coal Processing Introduction

a. Coal Processing: Gasification

b. Coal Processing: Liquefaction

PLANNING INFORMATION NOTES: TELECOMMUNICATIONS 'T' SERIES - 1986

T1 - General Aspects of Radio Communications
T2 - Mobile Radio Communication Systems
T3 - Microwave Radio Systems
T4 - Satellite Communication
T5 - Cable Systems
T6 - Glossary of Terms

SDD PLANNING BULLETIN

This Bulletin is issued twice per annum by the Chief Planner, Scottish Development Department, to planning authority staff and the private sector. It contains brief items on current topics concerning development planning and records the current state in the preparation of these plans throughout Scotland.

OTHER RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS

Scottish Information Office (SIO) Factsheets

5 - Planning for Development - 1988
19 - Scotland: Land Use and Physical Features - 1989

These can be obtained from SIO, Room 2/93, New St Andrew's House, Edinburgh.

Planning Research Reports

Central Research Unit (CRU)

Intra-Urban Migration in Greater Glasgow - A Summary Report of a Study	Jean Forbes, Douglas Lamont and Isobel Robertson, September 1979
The Continuing Impact of a Town Centre Superstore - A Follow-up study of the Coatbridge ASDA	Development Analysts Ltd, November 1979

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit

Rural Land Use Information Systems	Report on a Pilot Project, 1980 (£2.00)
The Elgin Fine Fare Superstore	Moray District Council, Grampian Regional Council, SDD and Development Analysts Ltd (£2.50) November 1981

SDD

The Coast of Scotland: Some Recently Collected Survey Material	David N Skinner, October 1974 (£6.50)
The Impact of a Town Centre Superstore - A Study of the effects of the ASDA store in Coatbridge	Development Analysts Ltd and Edmund Kirby & Sons, 1978 (HMSO £10)
The Enforcement of Planning Control in Scotland	J Rowan-Robinson, E Young and I McLarty (£2.50), April 1984
An Evaluation of Local Plan Production and Performance	Sheila Thomson (£2.50), July 1984
Business Involvement in Local Plans	Tony Burton (£2.50), July 1984
The Elgin Fine Fare Superstore: Follow-up Impact Studies	Development Analysts Ltd and Retail Planning Consultancy Services (£3.50), October 1984
Development Control Performance in Scotland	MVA Consultancy, (£3.00) February 1985

Reports can be obtained from:

The Librarian
Room 1/44
New St Andrew's House
Tel: 031-244-4806

Printed image digitised by the University of Southampton Library Digitisation Unit